

# SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 31, 2006

### FORMER POLICE OFFICER ARRESTED

A former City of Camden Police Officer was arrested by SLED agents on Friday, March 31, 2006, and charged with three counts of **Sex/Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16.**

The former officer is identified as **Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr.**, 32, of 8720 Windsor Lake Boulevard Apartment 103 in Columbia, South Carolina. He was arrested on Friday afternoon at approximately 3:30 p.m., and was booked at the Richland County Detention Center.

The arrest is a result of an investigation conducted by SLED. The case will be prosecuted by the 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office.

\* Warrants Attached.

## ARREST WARRANT

I-906147

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

THE STATE

against

Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr

Address: 8720 Windsor Lake Blvd Apt 103

Columbia, SC 29223-

Phone: (803)309-9737

SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 8 Weight: 170

DL State: SC DL #: 004048326

DOB: 8/3/1973 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: Sled

Prosecuting Officer: Earl Buddy Wilkes

Offense: Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd  
act upon child under 16 (June 4, 1

Offense Code: 2468

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-15-0140

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

The accused

is to be arrested and brought before me to be  
dealt with according to the law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

## RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to  
defendant  
on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

## RETURN WARRANT TO:

Dutch Fork Magistrate  
1400 Huger Street  
P O Box 192  
Columbia, SC 29202

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Personally appeared before me the affiant Earl Buddy Wilkes

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr

did within this county and state on 12/28/2004

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

in the following particulars:

## DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16 (June 4, 1

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit  
the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:That on between 12-28-2004 through 03-19-2006, from 9th birthday through the weekend before last, while at 1420  
Loner Road in the Blythewood Magisterial District of Richland County, one Rhett I Kelly did commit the crime of  
Lewd Act of child under 16 in that he did put his hands down victim's pants and rubbed or fondled her buttocks, lower  
abdomen and pelvic region. Victim's date of birth is 12-28-1995. Defendant did so with intent of arousing, appealing  
to, or gratifying the lust or passion or sexual desires of himself or of the victim. Affiant and others witness to prove  
same. [REDACTED]

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

Affiant's Address PO Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29210-

Affiant's Telephone (803)896-7216

## ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

it appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 12/28/2004

defendant Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

) as set forth below:

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Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him; or  
her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as  
soon thereafter as is practicable

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 03/31/2006

Signature of Judge  
Mel Maurer

Judge Code: 5463

Judge's Address 1400 Huger Street

Columbia, SC 29201-

Judge's Telephone (803)576-2540

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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S.C. Attorney General  
April 21, 2003  
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State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate ) violate the criminal laws of the

in the following particulars:

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Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16 (June 4, 1

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts.

That between 5-18-2001 and 6-01-2005 while at 1420 Loner Road in the Blythewood Magisterial District of Richland County, one Rhett L. Kelly did commit the crime of Lewd Act upon a Child under 16 in that he did put his hands down victim's pants and rubbed or fondled victim's vagina. Victim's birth is 09-23-1991. Defendant did so with intent of arousing, appealing to, or gratifying the lust or passions or sexual desires of himself or of victim. Affiant and others witness to prove same. [REDACTED]

Signature of Affiant

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It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 5/18/2001 defendant Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate ) as set forth below:

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 03/31/2006

Signature of Issuing Judge

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being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr

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State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate ) in the following particulars:

## DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

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That on between 08-06-2005 through 03-19-2006 while at 1420 Loner Road in the Blythewood Magisterial District of Richland County, one Rhett Kelly did commit the crime of Lewd Act on Child under 16 in that he did put his hands down the victim's pants and rubbed or fondled her buttocks, lower abdomen and pelvic region. Victim's birth date is 08-06-1997. Defendant did so with intent of arousing, appealing to, or gratifying the lust or passions or sexual desires of himself or of victim. Affiant and others witness to prove same. [REDACTED]

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It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 8/6/2005 defendant Rhett Linley Kelly, Jr

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate ) as set forth below:

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Mel Maitre

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